

	INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES CHILD WELFARE MANUAL	
	Chapter 8: Out-of-Home Services	Effective Date: March 1, 2011
	Section 15: Services for the Resource Family	Version: 2

POLICY

The Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) will offer services to the resource parent(s) to:

1. Support the resource parent's care of the child;
2. Assure that the child's needs are being met; and
3. Address issues that may lead to placement disruption.

DCS will provide ongoing training to licensed resource family homes on a variety of topics. For further guidance, see separate policy [12.14 In-service Training](#).

Code References

NA

PROCEDURE

[REVISED] The Family Case Manager (FCM) will:

1. Ensure that the resource parent(s) are notified of all Child and Family Team (CFT) Meetings or Case Plan Conferences. For further guidance, see separate policy [5.7 Child and Family Team Meetings](#);
2. Discuss the concurrent plan, if applicable, with the resource parent(s) (pre-adoptive parent(s)). For further guidance, see separate policy [5.15 Concurrent Planning](#);
3. Provide the resource parent(s) with a copy of the current [Case Plan \(SF 2956\)](#);
4. Maintain regular contact with the resource parent(s). For further guidance, see separate policy [8.10 Minimum Contact](#); and
5. Refer the resource parent(s) for Family Preservation Services, if there are issues that may lead to placement disruption. For further guidance, see separate policy [5.10 Family Services](#).

The Foster Care Specialist will assure the licensed resource parent(s) have information on available trainings and training requirements. For further guidance, see separate policy [12.14 In-service Training](#).

PRACTICE GUIDANCE

N/A

FORMS AND TOOLS

1. [Tool 8.C Supervision of Visits](#)
2. [Case Plan \(SF 2956\)](#) – Available in the Management Gateway for Indiana's Kids (MaGIK)

RELATED INFORMATION

N/A